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Stages leave this House for all Points.

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A. D. MASON Proprietor.

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Calls by day or night promptly attended to.

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This House is New, Commodious,

Pleasantly Located, and has been New-

ly Furnished throughout. The very

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travelers and boarders.

Good Stable Room for Teams.

Garden City Minn.

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Harness Shop.

The undersigned takes this method of

advertising his new harness shop in

the city of Winnebago.

He has just opened a new harness shop in

WINNEBAGO CITY,

and is now prepared to do all kinds of work in his line. New harness made to order, and all kinds of repairing done on short notice. Shop upstairs, next door south of Richardson & Reynolds' Grocery.

E. H. HUTCHINS.

Winnebago City, May 25, 1866.

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J. S. PERRY,

TAILOR!

Winnebago City, Minnesota,

May be found In Fellows' New Block. Open

at all hours to do all work intrusted to

in the latest New York Fashions, or to

order what kinds of country produce wanted for work

Cutting done on short notice, and warranted to

fit properly made up.

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held by him, and the only living giraffe on this continent (that noble brute, which sits upon its bams in an attitude at once graceful and picturesque, and eats its hay out of the second story window)—because I have got these things, and because admission is only thirty cents children and servants half price, open from sunrise till 10 p. m., peanuts and all other luxuries of the season to be purchased in any part of the house—the proprietor, at an enormous expense, having fitted up two peanut stands to each natural curiosity, because I have got these things, and because admission is only thirty cents children and servants half price, open from sunrise till 10 p. m., peanuts and all other luxuries of the season to be purchased in any part of the house—the proprietor, at an enormous expense, having fitted up two peanut stands to each natural curiosity, because I have got these things, and because admission is only thirty cents children and servants half price, open from sunrise till 10 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Immigration to Minnesota.

There is no doubt but that the coming season is destined to witness the greatest immigration into Minnesota of any year in its history.

The writer of this has just returned from a short trip to the Middle States. Going eastward, the cars on all the trains are but lightly filled. Coming westward last week, every train was crowded to its utmost capacity. There was scarcely standing room on some of the cars. Such a state of things is unprecedented at this early date of the year. The snow is still lying deep over nearly all the Middle States, and the spring is full as backward as in Minnesota. The farmers have not done a strake of spring work yet. There is nothing to indicate that the season for immigration has come, yet the immigration has commenced with a rush unprecedented.

The emigrants are mainly bound for this State, despite the disadvantages of travel at this season of the year. Judging from the throng on the way now, when the river opens, the host that will press their way to this State will far exceed anything yet seen. The emigrants are a well to do class of people, principally inhabitants of the middle States, and bring their families, babies and all along with them.

Every where that one can travel, Minnesota appears to be considered the land of promise. Her healthy climate, great wheat and other crops, and cheap homesteads appear to be well known to all. When the seed sown by Col. Hewitt's pamphlet has had time to spring up, the throng now on the way will be still increased. Shall we close the year with half a million inhabitants? It begins to appear that we will.—*St. Paul Pioneer.*

Garden City.

This vigorous town, situated very nearly in the center of Blue Earth Co., and boasting as energetic a set of men as ever graced a western village, has just appealed to the ballot box for a decision on the location of the County Jail. This decision looks indirectly to the ultimate settlement of the County Seat question; but though it is quite probable that the friends of Mankato will carry the day this year, the occupation of the fine farming lands of Blue Earth County, and the consequent increase of rural votes favorable to Garden City, which is likely to be in greater ratio than that friendly to Mankato, will without doubt in a few years at farthest, make Garden City the County Seat of Blue Earth County.

We are confident that no efforts will be spared on the part of the friends of Garden City to accomplish this result; and certainly, they are not working without good reasons for success.

The Emperor Napoleon was for a long time supposed to be without a military or diplomatic rival in Europe, but this wily fox of France has met more than his match in the Bismarck. This statesman is opposed to, and has thus far thwarted the grand Napoleonic idea of a conglomeration of European States between which national affinities exist; and now to push the power of Bismarck and Prussia out of his way, Napoleon proposes a confederation of France, Germany, Holland, Belgium and Switzerland against Prussia. In regard to Prussia, the Nephew seems to be following the same ruinous policy that the Uncle pursued in endeavoring to form a confederation against England. This attempt resulted in his defeat at Waterloo, and his royal successor may find his Waterloo in Prussia, if he succeeds in establishing the proposed confederation. Intriguing alliances and confederations formed only for the purpose of experimenting upon an idea, or gratifying an ambition, have been the curse of Europe, and the Emperor bids fair to cause a revisitation of this curse, and revive the smouldering fires of war.—*Chicago Post.*

There is some talk in Congressional circles about sending half a dozen good Republican speakers into various sections of the South, in May or June, to discuss political questions from a Northern stand point. Several gentlemen are said to be ready for such a campaign if they can be assured of personal safety.

Edwin Forrest is 67 years old.

Letter from an Indignant Woman.

Editor St. Paul Press:

The wonderful Albert Lea Standard has at last revealed the great secret—it says if woman would cultivate her mind more she would be more companionable to intelligent men (what a pity!), and that many a husband goes out evenings because he finds her conversation insipid (over the last). And why is it? ask you, Methinks, if those intelligent men loved their poor wives objects of derision as they love the billiard saloon, the grog-shop, or the gambling table, they would not find their wives' conversation so insipid. What a fool thing it is that man has an exalted opinion of himself; and what an atrocious idiot he must be to once think that a woman might equal him in everything, when she is deprived of almost every privilege on the face of the earth. She is naught, but a slave, and the kitchen is her prison. He must also be an unparalleled fool to unite his destiny with one so weak minded, and whose conversation is insipid, that he cannot spend his evenings at home.

Is there a memory woven with your bliss, or a sad mother-love and pining kiss.

R. H.
It is evident from the above letter, that Editor Parker of the Standard, in his estimate of women, does not agree with the poet who says that,

"Knowing well to cook a steak
Beats sentiment and a dark sight."

His wife, if he is fortunate enough to have one, must be an excellent cook, or his complaints would have been in another direction, and Miss or Mrs. R. H. might have qualified him as a paralleled fool, and forbore to ask if he remembered his mother. Come to Winnebago, friend Parker, and if unmarried, we will vouch that you shall find among the ladies of our City "well educated minds" that will flatter even your fastidious taste; but we are not positive that any of them are desirous of becoming the wife of a Western newspaper editor.

Festival.

Blue Earth City, March 30th, 1867.

MR. EDITOR:—On Wednesday evening last, the Ladies and Gents, boys and girls of our village, had a fine time here in the school house. The entertainment consisted of music, tableaux, supper and good cheer generally. Three songs were sung by Miss Franklin and others, accompanied by the melodian; very beautiful. Two songs were sung by a quintett club, very well, and one piece, "The Indian's Prayer," by Elder Chute and Brother. The Tableaux scenes were fourfold in number; some of them very beautiful. We remember "The Tea Party Neighbors,"—a laughable dialogue in prose and poetry between a couple of lady gossips. "The Greek Flower Girl," "Yankee Courtship," "Stealing a Kiss," "The Naiads," "Love at first Sight," and the "Irish Bach in want of a Sewing Machine."

The supper was splendid, oysters, peaches, candies, cakes, pies, tea, coffee, &c., being furnished in abundance. After supper the children mounted the stage, and sang a dozen pieces nicely. The "Old Folks," consisting of W. E. Chute, the leader, as "Father Kemp," Mr. and Mrs. U. Hill, as Gen. and Mrs. Washington; Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong, as a pair of Quakers; Mr. S. Shuler as an Englishman; Mrs. Taplin, Mrs. Kingsley, Mrs. Way, Mrs. O. Chute and Miss Belle Franklin, as old Yankee ladies, gave us five old fashioned tunes; viz: "Auld Lang Syne"; "Sherburne, 1783"; "Easter Anthem, 1794"; "Ocean, 1800"; and "Ode on Science, 1815," which were received with great applause. The singers were dressed in old fashioned style, and caused much merriment. After that, some surplus cakes, &c., were bid off. About two hundred persons were present, and nearly \$75 was realized from the Entertainment. The money is to be applied toward liquidating the debt on the Methodist Parsonage. Yours, &c., READER.

John Morrissey was recently conversing with a friend on the impeaching business and referring to the inquiry of Mr. Niblack, of Indiana, about those letters of Ashley to Surveyor General Case, of Colorado, Morrissey said, "Did you see that sparring in the House yesterday? It was the best set-to I ever saw. I never saw a fellow go all to pieces so quick as that man Ashley did. He reminded me of some men I've seen fight—if they get one in the head it sets 'em wild." Niblack gave Ashley "one in the head."

Dr. J. G. Holland offered his first and most successful books to four publishing houses, by whom they were refused. Mr. Scribner ventured upon the publication, and has sold nearly fifty thousand copies of each.

NEWS ITEMS

Congress adjourned on the 30th ult.

The Welland canal will be open about the middle of April.

King George, of Greece, is soon to marry a niece of Queen Victoria.

John Shiel is reported to be one of the richest men in Paris to day.

The Lindell Hotel in St. Louis was burned on the 50th ult.

New Jersey schoolmasters cannot whip pupils any more.

Albert Harrington, of Winona, Minn. has received a cadetship to West Point.

Gen. Carl Schurz is about to become one of the proprietors of the St. Louis *Westliche Post*.

A thousand people live in New York by fortune telling and similar prophetic juggling.

The water was let into the Chicago tunnel on the 25th ult. It cost \$2,500,000.

Gov. Brownlow has commissioned a colored man as captain in the State Guard.

A bill has passed the New York Assembly making eight hours a legal day's work.

The next Minnesota State Fair is to be held at Rochester, on the 1st, 2d, 3d and 4th of October, 1867.

The stages have ceased running on the ice from LaCrosse to Winona as the ice is deemed unsafe.

There are more United States counterfeit Bank notes now in circulation, than there has been for a half a century past.

Hawkes, the alleged wife-murderer, has been admitted to bail by Judge Wilkins, of St. Paul, in \$3,000. Shurely not yet found.

There are nearly twice as many newspapers published in the United States as in all the rest of the world beside.

The late battles in Crete have resulted successfully for the insurgents.—The Turkish army is greatly demoralized, and present indications are, that the Cretans will soon be free.

General Sherman desires to go on Captain Duncan's excursion to the Holy Land, which is to sail in June next. He will take with him his daughter Minnie.

An extra session of the Senate was convened last Monday by proclamation of the President, who communicated to the Senate in Executive Session, a treaty with Russia, by which that power surrenders to the United States its Sovereignty over all Russian America, including the Steppe 400 miles long which extends down the coast, thus finally excluding British America from the Ocean. This session more than doubles the United States coast on the Pacific.

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I am now receiving the

Largest and Most Complete

stock of

Dry Goods,

Clothing

FURNISHING GOODS.

Hats, Caps, &c.

Ever Brought to the Minnesota Valley,

and have commenced

WAR ON HIGH PRICES,

of which fact all my old customers and the public generally

Will be satisfied by calling and Examining my Goods, and hearing my Prices.

ever bearing in mind my motto of

Selling MORE Goods for ONE DOLLAR than ANY

House in the Valley.

Isaac Marks.

Mankato, Minn., Nov. 26, 1866.

A new lot of *Warranty Deeds* just printed and for sale at this office. Also all kinds of *Justices' Blanks*.

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APRIL 10, 1867.

E. A. HOTCHKISS, Editor.

ED Various reports have been made concerning the destitution in Martin and Jackson counties, but we conclude the suffering is not so general as some suppose. Still it is bad enough. A few families have actually gone whole days without food, and many are selling their cows to buy bread.

One family passed through here last week on their way East. We understand they had received assistance from the county to the value of Fifty Dollars. Very poor they certainly were. A yoke of steers drew all their earthly possessions, and themselves—Father, Mother, and six small children—with scarcely clothing enough for indoor comfort. Law kept them over night and in the morning, a very cold one, they resumed their journey.

Much better would it have been for them, and better will it be for all others in like condition, to stay in Minnesota. The sun will soon smile on the land, bringing its blessings and he that will work shall not starve.

For the present, a committee has been appointed at Mankato to take action for the destitute, and Governor Marshall has requested Col. G. K. Cleveland, one of the committee, to proceed to Martin and Jackson counties, and take such measures as shall insure prompt relief. Also, a portion of the money in the bands of the Southern relief committee at St. Paul, has been reserved for the people of these counties. All that can be done, will be done by Minnesota to aid her settlers. This demand for food is necessarily of short duration, and will not be likely to occur again in the North Star State, any sooner than in the older settled States of the Union.

The prime cause of the present destitution was the failure of the corn crop last season, and the large immigration these counties received. The new settlers have not had time to raise grain crops, and the corn they planted on little patches of ground, having been killed by the early frost, their little money was expended for food, and nothing is left them now either to eat or sow.

What is very scarce, and fears are entertained that enough can not be obtained to seed the ground already prepared. But when the time for sowing comes, we think a sufficient quantity will be found in the country, without importing. Many farmers in this country have more than they need for themselves, but are afraid to sell now, or are holding on for higher prices.

ED A treaty has been concluded between the United States and Russia, which gives Russian Americans to the United States, and a host of new consuls to his nephews. Sixty thousand of them belong to the Greek Church.

The Democratic party is jubilant over the success of their ticket in Connecticut, at the recent election. But they have not much cause for rejoicing, since there has been no vigorous contest. The Nutmeg State is Republican, and will be found so in 1868.

A letter from the wife of a distinguished officer at St. Louis, received here, confirms the capture of Fort Bufford at the mouth of the Yellow Stone, Col. Rankin, his wife, children, and the whole garrison were slaughtered. In all eighty souls.

Col. Rankin has represented for four or five months his inability to resist the prolonged attack by the overwhelming forces the Indians brought against him and it was known from a private letter that he anticipated his fate, and made good promises to his friends that he would defend his position to the last man. He repulsed with his small force the attack of two or three thousand Indians, killing three hundred, and wounding over one thousand before he was overpowered. It is generally supposed that Col. Rankin shot his wife to prevent her from falling into the hands of the Indians.

WHY WE DO IT?—An irate correspondent wants to know "what the dev it we publish so many local notices" of certain lively "festivals in his city for?" We hope to soften down his wrath a little, when we inform him that we do it for 25 cents per line in current funds. That's all.—*Marshall Times*.

Communications.

FRIEND HOTCHKISS:—Rumors are circulating through and from this part of the State, that are calculated to prove detrimental and do injustice to this festive section of Minnesota. I refer more particularly to the reports of destitution in Martin and Jackson counties. In the first place, the accounts, I judge from more careful inquiry, have been considerably exaggerated.

Several circumstances have concurred to cause a scarcity of supplies, both to families and to stock. A large immigration the past year, after the season for raising crops from their newly made farms, has, of course, drawn heavily from the products of the country, greatly increasing the number of consumers, without a corresponding increase of supplies. The corn crop was unusually cut short by an early frost; less hay was put up than ought to have been, and much less than might have been; all this, together with an uncommonly severe and long winter, has, without any miracle, brought about "short rations."

But there is a fatal error, which, though of long standing, it seems is still cherished, and works its legitimate results. It is this; the idea that seems to possess the minds of many eastern people, that all they need do "to better their condition," and to get a living without work and economy, or at least so to a great extent, is, to settle down upon the rich prairies of the west.

Now this is expecting more than ever the gospel promises. When Christ said to his disciples, "seek first the Kingdom of God," with the assurance that other things would be added, if they did so, gave no encouragement that if they slackened their efforts, they would obtain any additional benefits.

Here is the great mistake, men come west and think the Canaan is gained, and they can rest from their labors. Instead of going to work and turning up the fertile surface of the land and raising an abundance, they told their hands and wait for something to turn up, that will supersede the necessity of toil and industry. I have the impression that it is indolence or slackness, or both, that causes most of the destitution. The want of energy and provident care, so often observed, is illustrated by a little circumstance related to me a few days since by one of the enterprising citizens of this place.

He had himself been in the country five years, when a neighbor who had been here nine years, came to him and wanted to know if he had some current slips to spare him to set out.

With all the natural advantages of the fruitful soil and healthy climate of Minnesota, drones and idlers may in vain expect thrif and prosperity.

The case of the greatest destination that has come under my own observation, the past winter, resulted from the culpable laziness of the male head of the family. Though "idle and heavy" and a plenty of work to be done, he spent the winter idly, with his children around him destitute of food and clothing.

It is not evident from the above remarks, why some folks don't like Minnesota, and wish to go to some more congenial clime, or, in common parlance, "to leave the country?" Yours for MINNESOTA.

PREScott, April, 6th 1867.

MR. EDITOR:—Having made a permanent location in Faribault county, I have a deep interest in the welfare of this part of Minnesota, believing that a virtuous and an enlightened people can never be enslaved. I would like to say through the welcome columns of the *Free Homestead* to the people of Blue Earth and Faribault counties, that we need have no fears while we have men of such high and unlimited acquirements as can be found in our midst. I, sir, by your permission, will speak of but two classes in this article, the legal profession and the braves.

I always admired the eloquence and masterly powers of Daniel Webster, and have listened with enraptured delight to Ex-Governor Silas Wright, and amazement to Cassius M. Clay. But Mr. Editor, I had the privilege of listening to the closing pleas of A. D. Mason, Esq., and E. F. Beebe, Esq., of Vernon Centre, in a big suit had at that place.

The crowd was carried on the stream of eloquence irresistably along, and I found upon inquiry that all present were like the Dutch Justice; when Beebe was speaking he had the case, but when Mason came on with his heavy artillery, the question assumed

a different form. Why, sir, to match the ability, skill and talents then and there displayed, we have to resurrect a Clay and a Webster.

If any one has had cases or perplexing questions in law to solve, I would most assuredly recommend them to Mason or Beebe. But lest I tire and weary you in my first article, I will just briefly say, we had very exciting times here in Prescott with the Braves upon arriving home from Vernon Centre. There was a wedding party at Friend Free's. The Braves from Verona thought they would give the newly married pair a serenade, and accordingly they repaired to the place of rendezvous at an early hour and organized the brigade by making one of their number who had received an invitation to the wedding, commander-in-chief. With martial music, guns erect and heavy tread, they marched to Free's. He having retired somewhat late, was in a swoon when he received the first salute, but thinking if he was tired, he would give the Verona regiment a gentlemanly reception; opened the door for that purpose, and to his astonishment and surprise, beheld a man in the ranks, a Bull Run skedaddle. He could do no less than make a seizure of arms.

I have authority to say to the regiments that were demoralized and disarmed, unless the arms and munitions of war are called for within a few days, they will be deposited with the United States Army Arsenal. I would advise the intrepid and daring commander of that immortal regiment, to go and get the captured property while it may possibly be had. More anon.

Respectfully yours,
JINNISHEQUA.

NEWS ITEMS.

Austin is to have a \$10,000 School House this summer.

New Lead lodges have been discovered near Dubuque.

During the past month the National debt was reduced \$15,000,000.

The Prince Imperial of France is sick.

In St. Louis, \$350,000 was subscribed in one evening, toward rebuilding the Lindell Hotel.

Queen Victoria has written a work entitled *Leaves from a Journal in the Highlands*.

The Princess of Wales is dangerously ill. She is more beloved than any member of the royal family.

The railroad bridge across the Mississippi at Minneapolis is nearly finished.

General Sherman is perfecting a plan for the thorough putting down of India for the protection of Western settlements and emigrants.

Governor Marshall has received a patent for 120,000 acres—the quota of Minnesota—of lands under the Agricultural College Grant.

A revolution has just taken place at Partau Prince Hayti, and the streets of that town are crowded with the dead.

Among the appropriations of the last Connecticut Legislature was \$400 for whiskey, lemons and sugar for the use of the legislature.

Theodore Clay, son of Henry Clay, has for over thirty years been an inmate of the lunatic asylum at Lexington, Kentucky. He became insane from disappointed affection.

The Land Office at Fort Dodge is closed because the President refuses to appoint a Republican and the Senate will not appoint a Johnsonite as Register.

About 500 voters were imported into St. Paul, Minn., by the Democrats on Tuesday, and the grossest frauds were practised to carry that city.—*Chicago Post*.

A destructive fire at Waterloo on Saturday last consumed Bradley & Co's elevator with 8,000 bushels of wheat, 15,000 bushels of oats and a large quantity of lumber. Loss \$15,000. Mostly insured.—*Vinton Eagle*.

The London correspondent of the New York Times says Artemas Ward left the bulk of his property to his mother during her life, when it is to revert on him for decayed printers.

His library, left to him by his uncle, Calvin Browne, he wills "to the best boy in school of his native village, Waterford, Me." His son is to be put to the best printer in America, "to learn the value of learning," and then sent to College.

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George Nattie has this day applied for the south east quarter 28 township 102 north, range 29 west, it being the land you filed on. You are hereby notified to be and appear at this office on Monday the 1st day of May 1867 at 1 p.m. for the purpose of giving the whole matter a fair and impartial investigation.

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A new lot of *Warranty Deeds* just printed and for sale at this office.

Also all kinds of *Justice's Blanks*.

34th St.

JONH F. MEAGHER.

All persons desiring to purchase Reap

and Threshers, do well to give me a call before purchasing, as my stock is very large and I will

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Town Meeting.—The following town officers were elected last week in Prescott, Garfield County:

For Supervisor.—S. Noteman, Chairman, Geo. Gibbs, George Miles.

For Assessor.—Jacob Lent.

For Town Clerk.—J. C. Woodruff.

Treasurer.—J. H. B'ack.

Constable.—F. Paxton.

Justice.—Wm. Viebau.

A SAFE RULE.—We have always made it a rule, and it is a safe one, never to buy the value of one cent, if it could possibly be avoided, of a man who is so selfish and in it entering to damage our sign in some newspaper, and we save more, by buying cheaper, and getting better articles. *Hastings Gazette*.

As the public follow the same course, There is no better measure of a man's business standing than his advertising.—*Advertiser Post*.

All of which is as true as preaching.—*St. Cloud Journal*.

All prominent merchants of Austin advertise in the *Register*. We wish the trading community to understand this. In fact, those who do not advertise with us, are known to but a very limited extent, while those who advertise are having a large and increasing business.—*Lake County Register*.

"So much to be" in Winnebago. Wise men do not think Barium a fool.

HEAR REASON.

Strengthen the Defences.

When a garrison apprehends an attack from an enemy, what does it do? It STRENGTHENS THE DEFENCES. The human system at this period of the year, is beligerent by "moral influences." The inclemant air is full of them. Every change of weather lays the field open to their attacks. What is to be done in order to baffle these unseen, but ever active, foes? STRENGTHEN THE DEFENCES. Do you ask how? The answer is simple—the means within the reach of all. Reinforce the vital organs and the nervous system with HOSTETTER'S BITTERS. Tone the stomach, regulate the bowels, rouse the sluggish liver, cheer the spirits, enrich and purify the vital current, with HOSTETTER'S BITTERS. That's the way to Strengthen the Defences, and render the capital of health impregnable. If you wish to escape bilious head ache, intermittent fever, indigestion, and nervous visitations—to enjoy in all its plenitude, the blessing of "a sound mind in a sound body," use this incomparable preventative. It preserves health in the healthy, and renewes it in the weak and failing.

Address P. O. Drawer, 21,
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The Vinton, (Iowa) *Eagle* comes to us twice every month enlarged, and looks compare with its former self, like a plow muddling midden of forty sixteen, bundled for a single ride. Editor Frost evidently has a good deal of push about him, and means to keep pace with the growth of his town. He will either make money, or the Vinton people are greatly wanting in gratitude.

Moulton has gone east after a big stock of goods, and very soon every shelf and counter in the store of "Moulton & Denison" will be piled with merchandise. In order to make room for this immense new stock, the goods now on hand will be sold, for a short time, at greatly reduced prices. Their store is crowded every day, and now is the time to get your supplies cheap.

Town Meeting.—The following town officers were elected last week in Prescott, Faribault County:

For Supervisor—S. Noteman, Chairman, Geo. Gibb, Miles.

For Assessor—Jacob Lent.
To Town Clerk—J. C. Woodruff.
Cashier—J. H. Buck.
Constable—F. Patton.
Justice—Wm. Viehan.

A Safe Rule.—We have always made it a rule, and it is a safe one, never to buy the value of one cent, if it could possibly be avoided, of a man who is self-sufficient and in an enterprising to hang out his sign in some newspaper, and we saw more, if it, owing cheaper and getting better articles.—*Huntington Gazette*.

All the public follow the same course. There is no better measure of a man's business standing than his advertising.—*Red Cloud Journal*.

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A little rain fell last week. It is all

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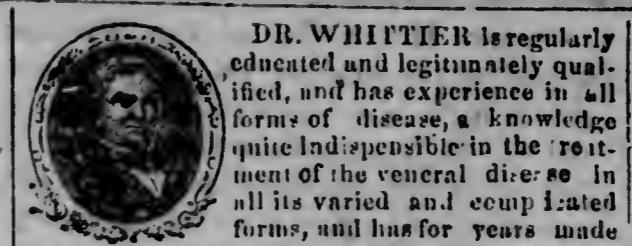
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E. A. HOTCHKISS, Editor.

Cession of Russian America to the United States.

By the treaty between the United States and Russia, which has been ratified by Congress, the United States, at a cost of \$7,200,000, in gold, comes into possession of Russian America, which contains an area of nearly four hundred thousand square miles of territory. This tract of country lies on the north western coast of North America, and is about fourteen hundred miles long. It is a cold, cheerless rough and rugged country, worthless to farmers, and very lightly timbered. It is bounded north by the Arctic ocean, east by British America, south by the Pacific, and west by the Pacific and Arctic oceans and Behring's Strait, which separate it from the Russian possessions in Asia; the distance across from Cape Prince of Wales to East Cape being only thirty-six miles. With the exception of the narrow strip extending in a south east direction along the coast nearly four hundred miles, and the remarkable peninsula of Alaska, it forms a tolerably compact mass, with an average length and breadth of about six hundred miles each.

The population is estimated at 61,000, of whom perhaps 6,000 are Russians, Creoles, Kodiaks and Aleuts. The remainder, above 55,000 in number, consist almost entirely of Esquimaux.

The principal settlement is New Archangel, a small town with 1,000 inhabitants on the Island of Sitka the largest of the group of Geo. III. It is the seat of the governor of all the establishments of Russian America, and has fortifications, magazines, and a governor's residence, all built of wood. Aside from a military point of view, the country will be valuable to us chiefly for its fur and fish; the fisheries on the coast being fully equal to those of Newfoundland.

Much excitement has been created in diplomatic circles in Washington by this important treaty, and it is intimated that protests against the cession may be expected from the British Government.

Although the ery for weeks has been in wheat, we stated in our last issue that we believed when the time for sowing arrived, enough would be found in the country to supply all demands. Capt. W. F. Davidson now offers to loan twenty thousand bushels of seed wheat, to be paid in wheat or cash, when the new crop comes in. We have talked with many farmers in this County, and no fear exists in their minds about there being a lack of this staple article in the country for seed or bread. Nine-tenths of the real destination, which is only nine tenths of that reported, is the direct result of first class laziness, and deserves no sympathy.

After this generous offer of Capt. Davidson, we expect to hear no more woeful stories and see shorter faces.

People living in New York, and the New England States, anticipate, and realize in the weather every spring, a succession of thawing and freezing rain, wind and snow, which is very disagreeable, and which must become most hateful, when it is known that there are places on the broad face of the earth where the winter and spring of romance are reproduced in almost perfect forms. The snow we have had all winter began to melt some eight or ten days since. It was then nearly two feet deep, but now only a few inches of it are to be seen skirting the fences here and there. To day, some farmers have been sowing wheat, and now, while the moon and stars are brightly shining in the steel blue sky, small prairie fires light the horizon on every side. April showers are not, and this month has seen but two really dark days, one of which contributed a sprinkling of rain. The change from a snug winter day, and good sleighing, to a veritable spring climate, and dry footing, is so sudden, and withal so gradual, that one might easily persuade himself "Twas all a dream." While old Minnesotans affirm the past winter to have been the worst they have had for years, we do not remember ever to have experienced one more agreeable.

Fred. Douglas is writing a life of John Brown.

Correspondence.

PREScott, April 13, 1867.

MR. EDITOR, Dear Sir:—If I had not closed my former article by saying "more anon," I should not at present have taken the pen; nor would I say anything more about the Braves of our County, were it not for their improvement and benefit. Sorry am I to say that the social condition of a large proportion of the Braves of Verona has been bad; but since they have been brought to notice, in justice to them and to the credit of their Commander in Chief, I can say that their condition is rapidly improving. Separated during their recent campaign as they have been from all home influences, and especially from the society of the virtuous and the good, reduced to constant toil and the roughest modes of life, they became rustics, and many of them are now very vulgar and profane.

Many men of fine talent and refined mind and good education have laid all their intellectual strength under contribution for the manufacture of witty jests and vulgar sayings, adapted to the demand of a vitiated social taste, and spent their evenings in detailing them for the entertainment of each other and their fan loving commander.

Sorry, sorry am I to say the moral condition of our noble Braves is by no means what it ought to be. But very few of them are particularly anxious to go to heaven. I met the glorious old Gen. of the immortal Braves a few days since, and I must say my great heart of sympathy was drawn over toward him to such a degree, that I was compelled to hold my hand over my mouth to keep from screaming. The pale, dejected, care worn and anxious look, the deep furrows and dark lines upon that manly face and brow, are enough to melt ones heart.

Well, friend Hotchkiss, that truly was an awful calamity, an entire regiment disarmed and so demoralized in one single campaign. I draw the veil and drop the curtain for this time on the heart-breaking scene, hoping that the Commander in Chief of the Braves may live to see better days, and not die with disease of the heart. I wish he might live to eat the hen that may scratch the gravel on his grave.

Respectfully, I remain yours

JINXESQUEA.

Minnesota State Quarries.

This season there will be put on the market the first roofing slate taken from any quarry west of the Allegheny Mountains. The discovery and working of the Minnesota slate must revolutionize the trade in this article, for if the Western States can be supplied from Western quarries, at equally favorable prices, we surmise the Vermont and Pennsylvania quarries must find a market nearer home.

There have been organized two companies, who will during the coming season go vigorously to work getting out slate at their quarries on the St. Louis river, in Carlton county, Minnesota. Samples of the article have been presented to the trade, who pronounce it unsurpassed by any in the market; and by or before midsummer it is hoped shipments of a large quantity can be made to Chicago, Detroit and the other lake cities.—*Superior Gazette.*

The Dayton (Ohio) Correspondent of the Cincinnati *Times*, says:—Quite a romance was enacted here a short time since. A "youth" of forty wooed a "gushing maiden" of seventy summers, and an indefinite number of winters, and an heiress in her own right, of \$1,000. The lover was a stranger in the city, and was, he said, a "child of the sunny South," where the cypress and myrtle are emblems of deeds that are done in the land; and his heart burned with ardor for her and her \$1,000. But the fair maid was coy, and without a little suspicion, so she said she had no proof that he was not a "gay deceiver." He placed his hand on the spot where his heart was supposed to be, and declared:

"Twas better to trust all, and be deceived, And weep that trust, and that believing, Than doubt one word which, if believed, Would bless their lives with true believing."

His eloquence conquered, and she gracefully yielded, and they were united. The honeymoon passed on "golden wings," when the "son of chivalry" told his bride he had found an excellent investment for her money. She gave him \$900. of her little fortune. He went down street, but instead of making the proposed investment, he invested a small portion of the money in railroad stock—that is, to the amount of a ticket; and, true to his "chivalrous" instincts, decamped for parts unknown.

LEGISLATIVE WAGGERY.

The Artemus Ward of the New York Assembly.

John Oakley represents the county of Kings in the Assembly. He is the Artemus Ward of the House, a man overflowing with wit, humor and good natured geniality. Mr. Oakley, on Wednesday evening last, went in strong on the New Capitol bill.

Mr. Chairman—I intend to favor this bill and yet I should not. When I recollect that the codfish aristocracy of Albany is not worthy of decent red herring, I am tempted to say, "Oakley, do not make an ass of yourself by voting for the New Capitol bill," and yet I will. I will vote for the bill, not because I like Albany, but because I love the State.

Mr. Chairman—I once thought that to be a member of the Assembly was to be a high cockatoo at a world's poultry show. I have lived to see my mistake. An Assemblyman is some pumpkins in New York. He is looked upon as a Cleo in Dushanic county, and as a Lycurgus in Scholastic. But it is not so in Albany. In this city of sturgeons and stick ups, legislators are small potatoes and few to the hill.

The first day after I reached Albany, I landed around with a shot gun and a pointer, to find a boarding house. I found one kept by a night cap and a mammoth waterfowl, the widow of a defunct gentleman in heavy West India goods. I asked the widow of said defunct if she desired another boarder. She replied, "That depends upon circumstances." I informed her I was a member of the Legislature. She became cold as an iceberg, and informed me that respectable boarding houses did not desire patronage from Assemblymen colored people. She shut the door and I retired. I sought another lady. She was more complacent, and she did not mind Boarding one or two Assemblymen, provided they would pay in advance or give security. Is this the way, Mr. Speaker, to treat the successors of Solon? I fancy not. But while I am down on the people of Albany as a community, I have found some individual exceptions, who deserve the highest marks of my esteem.

A few weeks ago, a gentleman, loud in praise of the new Capitol, says to me, quite in a friendly way, "Oakley, let's go to Peck's, and get some oysters." Oakley said in reply, "Nothing would afford me more pleasure?" We went to Peck's. We ordered oysters, venison steaks, green seal, and all that sort of thing. My friend left the rooms to obtain some cigars—fifty cents apiece. He did not come back. He has not come back yet. He left Oakley to pay the whole bill, \$17 and 60 cents! You may laugh, gentlemen, but that is not the worst of it. He got four fifty cent cigars and had them charged to me also.

Last week I gave eight shirts out to be washed. They came back in the shape of five collars, four "dickies" and one corded skirt. Now what do I want with a corded skirt? I am not an old grannie, like my friend over there, who believes the Erie Canal has injured the State, nor am I a female brother like Susan Anthony, or those other specimens of unfeathered poultry who cackle at hen conventions. I do not want the skirt.

A short time ago I visited the Baptist Church, one of the great washing machines of the city. An elderly gentleman addressed the Sabbath school children, and pointing at this building, said: "My young friends, that's the Lunatic Asylum, to which 128 crazy men are sent every year to make laws for 4,000,000 of gulls." I could stand no more. I seized my hat and left the edifice. I don't suppose I could have carried it long if I had tried, but I did not try. As I said before, I left the edifice. But while I cannot and will not go much on the red herring aristocracy of Albany, I must be allowed to say that I have received nothing but kindness from the representatives of Albany on this floor. Robinson never smokes a cigar without asking me to "smell its flavor," while Smith never sips a glass of Madeira without saying, "Oakley, chew the cork screw?" Robinson and Smith are clever fellows—so are Smith and Robinson. They are both clever fellows, especially Smith and more particularly Robinson.

There is an unknown gentleman, who resides in the Bowery, to whom I am also under obligations. To every chicken dispute and fight which has come off in that part of the city, this unknown friend of a New Capitol has sent me no less than twelve free passes, one for myself, three for Dan Wood, and

four for Parker, and the other four for the reporters of leading and influential papers like the New York Tribune and Independent.

But I will not detain the House any longer. I am in favor of the New Capitol bill, and hope to see it become a law.

FANNY FERN.

In its issue of the 24th ult., The Nation published the following notice respecting Fanny Fern's first literary success: Fifteen or sixteen years ago Artemus Ward, Mrs. Partington, and Miles O'Reilly were laboring together in office, each in his degree, working on the Carpet Bag, a not very comic paper, which was then trying hard to live, and was published in Boston. We may be mistaken, but we think that Fanny Fern was first successful in the columns of the same journal. This statement is corrected by Fanny Fern in the following characteristic letter:

To the Editor of the Nation:

Sir: Fanny Fern's first article was written for a one-horse religious magazine in Boston called the Mother's Assistant, or some such name. The remuneration for that article was fifty cents, and the writer went up four pair of stairs five times to the office of the editor to get it, besides being put through the catechism.

Widow, eh? See you have on black! Children? How many? Girls or boys?

Yours, respectfully,

FANNY FERN.

It is announced that President Johnson is unable to attend to his official duties owing to an affection of the liver which requires that he should be kept still.

Pity it is that his disease of the heart had not required him to have kept still long ago.

An Indiana paper gets off the following: "A love sick Sucker sends us some doggerel to print. Respectfully declined. Go and tell the gal that you are a fool, without letting everybody else know it."

It is all the same in Minnesota; only for doggerel, read gophered.

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LOCAL AFFAIRS.

WINNEBAGO CITY, April 17, 1867.

DIVINE SERVICES.

Congregational—Services every Sabbath in the new School House, at 11 o'clock A. M., and 7 o'clock P. M.
Rev. E. W. MERRILL, Pastor.

Baptist—Services every alternate Sabbath in the Baptist Church, at 11 o'clock A. M., and three Sundays in each month at 7 o'clock P. M.
Rev. E. STILLMAN, Pastor.

Methodist—Services every alternate Sabbath in the Baptist Church, at 11 o'clock A. M., and one Sunday in each month at 7 o'clock P. M.
Rev. A. S. CHUBBUCK, Pastor.

The Congregationalists here are soon to have a Church Organ.

What is the best thing in the world, after all? (awl)—A good *weaved* thread.

The mails are running very irregularly on account of high water. The Stage from Mankato did not arrive yesterday.

J. M. Gray, formerly of the Globe Hotel at Wilton, is now Proprietor of the "Lake House," at Waterville, La Sueur Co. See card.

The traveling public will find Law's Hotel at Winnebago City, a very pleasant stopping place. The hotels at Winona and Rochester do not set so good a table, as we know from experience.

Are we to have an Episcopal Church built here this year? Some effort has been made which looks very much like it, and a little more work, and a moderate exhibition of the pluck of Winnebago will accomplish the object. Out-siders will quadruple the subscription of the Society.

Mrs. Seelye's lecture at the Baptist Church last week, was not very well attended, on account, perhaps, of the very bad roads. Her subject was Home Government. Not that of the Nation or State, but of the Family Circle.—Discarding Woman's Rights as preached by Lucy Stone, and other female masculines. Mrs. Seelye very finely pictured domestic life as it is, and as it always should be. The lecture will probably be repeated at Blue Earth City.

Aрестed.—Geo. W. Sanders, J. Foss, and D. W. Fuller were arrested last week, charged with having unlawfully taken 26 bushels of wheat, and 60 bushels of oats from Thomas Maxon, of Verona. The examination was commenced here on Monday, and will probably be concluded to day.

"Who steals my purse steals trash; but he that filches from me my good grain, robs me of that which fills his mouth, and leaves me with an empty and gnawing stomach."

IN THE DRINK.—The snow has melted, and the water in the Blue Earth River is elevated. Caldwell undertook to ferry Geo. Merrile over in a skiff, but, very unwisely capsized the vehicle, thereby ferrying him in, and going in with him. Caldwell could not swim, and concluded to float to a friendly stump which proudly reared its head above the raging waters. Merrile and the boat gallantly struck out for shore, which they succeeded in striking.—Sweet then took the boat, and started for the rescue of the man on the stump, who may have been thinking of the song commencing:

"Many waters flowing o'er me, &c." Having reached the stump, he succeeded in losing the boat, and in pushing Caldwell into the river, thus obliging him to take shelter in a broken down tree-top, while Sweet in turn, perched on the stump. Merrile, seeing them thus secured against total immersion, started for the shore of Moulton and Deudon, in quest of *hemp* to relieve the parties who were feeling what very well could be a watery grave. As we write, Caldwell and Sweet are supposed to be minutely surveying the "situation," which is doubtless cold and not sweet.

This is the story as t'was told us, and all we know about it.

P. S.—Sweet was in the tree with Caldwell, and was pounding him to keep him warm; for a cold bath of five mortal hours duration was well nigh too much for tender sensibility.

Another Baptism.—Spencer safely rowed Rhodes across the stream, but in returning, capsized and beat himself to the tree of life, from which he was rescued two hours after.

Harper's Weekly.—We enjoy a good laugh each week over the human life boiled down which we find on the last page of Harper's Weekly. Any one who wishes to see portraits of all distinguished people, and life like representations of the most important events of the times, will find it all in the Journal of Civilization. The present volume is more interesting than any which have preceded it. One copy for *each year*, \$1.00.

The Local Newspaper.—The following article from the Oskaloosa (Iowa) *Herald* states so truly the relations of the public and the local newspaper, that we insert it entire as embodying substantially all that we desire to say on the subject:

If there is a Railroad to be built, a soldiers' Monument to be raised, a new College to be founded, or any public enterprise to be placed before the public, and the people urged to come up to a performance of duty, the local paper is always expected to go at it and work away without the hope of fee or reward, until the thing is accomplished.

Well, this is all right, and the local press delights in doing such work. The reward of an approving conscience is a glorious good thing, and something we hope and pray we shall have when we come to face the "King of Terrors." More than this, the local paper is expected to help, aid and assist every newly established firm, and measure out compliments without stint, until the firm becomes independent in trade, rich in profits, and able to "look its own war," without the assistance of the paper.

If there is a reform in public morals to be inaugurated, any abuse to be corrected, or great public nuisance to be abated, the local paper must come up to the work with a whole heart and untrammeled hands; to all which the local press never objects. And finally, friend, if you want an office, you seize upon the first opportunity of obtaining the favorable notice of your local paper; you expect it as fully as if it was one of those inalienable rights mentioned in the Declaration of Independence. Well, there can be no objection to this either, for the people expect the local paper to "speak out in meeting," and name the men of good repute, who are worthy of confidence.

To come to the point, do you think the local paper should do all this without a proper reward? We think not. Reader, we look upon you as a reasonable individual, and believe you will see things as they are, when the facts are properly arrayed for your consideration.

Well, in the first place, your local paper cannot live upon its subscription lists alone. We doubt if there is a country paper published in Iowa whose cash subscription list would pay for the blank paper upon which it is printed.

The advertising list must be good if it will pay all other expenses, such as taxes, rent, fuel, light, ink, type-setting, press-work, and wear-and-tear of material.

You naturally inquire how the local paper is to live if this be true?

We answer, by Joe Wink! If the local paper can have all the legitimate job work of the community which it is called upon to serve so faithfully, it can live. Without it—the paper must languish.

We have received a copy of the second Report of the Directors of the Experimental School for Idiots and Feeble minded children, which is located at Jacksonville, Morgan Co., Ill.

This Institution, authorized by an act of the Illinois Legislature, is now organized and receiving pupils. Experienced officers have been obtained and are now inaugurating this enterprise. The requisite attendants will be employed as circumstances render necessary, from time to time. Both officers and attendants are governed by philanthropic motives and Christian principles, and in their administration of the affairs of the Institution will exercise most tender and parental treatment toward the unfortunate children entrusted to their care. The Institution has already been in successful operation for nearly two years.

There are many such children in each State, and there is no Institution west of this one, it is open to any who may wish to avail themselves of its advantages.

New Song.—"FATHER DON'T Go."—Messrs. Lyon & Haly of Chicago, will issue, in a few days, a new song, with chorus, by Siber, entitled "Father Don't Go," founded on the following incident:

"A mechanic was in the habit of going nightly to a beer shop, taking with him his little daughter, who would conduct him home in safety after her carousal. One night, as the wind blew cold, when nearing the saloon, they heard shouts of laughter, swelling even above the noise of the storm; the little girl shrank back and cried, 'Father don't go!' Feeling annoyed at this attempt on her part to oppose him, he raised the child in his arms, determined to join his companions, but just as he placed his hand on the latch, a scalding hot tear fell on his cheek. It pierced his heart, and he turned from the door as a river making a furrow resolution to drink no more. From that moment he became a sober man."

It is a song full of pathos, with a refrain for one or two voices, and chorus. This song will assist the cause of temperance, and might, with advantage, be introduced into public schools, as well as the temperance lodges.

George P. Rowell & Co., Advertising Agents, and publishers of the "Advertiser's Gazette," have removed their office from Boston to No. 20 Park Row, New York. This change was made that they might avail themselves of the superior advantages offered by the great metropolis, for the transaction of their extensive and complicated business. We have never had any dealing with this firm, but believe them to be reliable and prompt.

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BANKRUPT LAW.—Messrs. Strickland & Co., of Milwaukee, have done a good thing by publishing the new Bankrupt Law, with an appendix showing the laws of exemption in Wisconsin, as drawn from the existing acts, and all the *cont'd decisions* on the subject. Also a brief summary of the Household and Homestead Exemption Laws of the States of Minnesota, Iowa and Michigan, which are referred to in the said act. The work is carefully and ably compiled by Austin, Perles and Johnson, Price, in pamphlet form, 15 cents; per hundred, ten dollars.

No business man can afford to be without a copy of the Bankrupt Law. Every creditor wants to know what his rights and powers are under this important law.

The "Scientific American" is a weekly journal of practical information, art, science, mechanics, chemistry, and manufactures, published by Mann & Co., at No. 37 Park Row, N. Y. city. It is the oldest, the largest and most widely circulated journal of its class now published, and is of special value to all who desire to be well informed about the progress of art, science, invention and discovery. There are two volumes each year, commanding January and July. Terms—One year, \$3.00; six months, \$1.50.

Harper's Magazine contains from fifty to one hundred pages, more matter than any other American or English periodical of its class. A series of humorous sketches entitled "The Dodge Club" is commenced in the April number. These sketches narrate the observations and adventures of a party of Americans in France and Italy, during the war of 1859. Gen. Strother's "Personal Recollections of the War" are published in this Magazine, and also "The Virginians in Texas," a tale of life in Texas before the war. Price, \$1.00 a year.

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All work warranted. Most kinds of produce taken in exchange.

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New customers need not ask for my rooms, as I have the only RED BUILDINGS in the City.

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WM. BALLANDE,

Winnebago City, Jan. 1867.

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Better opportunity is now offered to any

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Woman, or child, wishing to purchase anything in the line of Fancy Dress Goods, French and English Merinos, Alpacas, Scotch Plaids, Delains, Woolens Flannels, Striped Poplins, Balmoral Skirts, Ladies Cloaks, Cloak Cloths, Domestic prints, shawls, hoop Skirts, Shirts, drawers, wrappers, Hosiery, Notions No. 1 Woolen Blankets, Boots, Shoes, Hats, and Caps, and Fur goods of every

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In Faribault County. High prices are now

DEAD

And the new mode of trading—late decline

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Dry Goods will warrant general satisfaction to persons coming to

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To lay in their winter's supply, if they will only call at

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Have now ready a large and

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CROCKERY,

And a complete stock of Number One

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Our Agent in Boston is constantly watching the market for us, and we are thus enabled to give our patrons the advantages by offering the best goods at reasonable rates.

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As the name indicates, not only **RENEWES** the growth of the hair when thin and falling off, but positively **REVIVES** the color to its original shade when it is turning gray or white, whether caused by disease, grief or old age.

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E. RHODES.

Winnebago City, March 17th, 1866.

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HATS & CAPS,

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Oct 30/66

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A. D. MASON, Proprietor.

I would respectfully call the attention of the traveling public to the fact that I can now give them as good accommodations as any House in the Blue Earth Valley. Good Studies connected to the House.

1.25 A. D. MASON.

C. J. FARLEY,

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Calls by day or night promptly attended to, Winnebago City, Aug. 15, 1866.

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This House is New, Commodious, Pleasantly Located, and has been Newly Furnished throughout. The best accommodations guaranteed to travelers and boarders.

Good Stable Room for Teams.

221 J. S. PERRY,

TAILOR !

Winnebago City, Minnesota,

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at all times, prepared to do all work intrusted to him, the late New York Fashions, or to suit his customer.

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ROD & MOLD-BOARD

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Having secured the services of FIRST CLASS

workmen, I am able to offer the best quality of work, both Manufacturing and Repairing, Jobbing, Horse & Ox Shoeing, &c. in the best manner.

Thankful for past favors, I would solicit a continuance of the public patronage.

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DAN MARKHAM & CO. PROS.

Opposite Clifton House,

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Our tables are new and are of the best make

Good cigars and liquors at the bar.

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AGENTS FOR

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Dealers in

BOOKS & STATIONERY

POST OFFICE BUILDING, FRONT ST.,

MANKATO, MINN

THE HOMESTEAD
WINNEBAGO CITY, MINN.

APRIL 24, 1867.

E. A. MCCHESNEY, Editor.

From late European advices it appears that old world is suffering from indigestion, and makes wry faces over the pills she is compelled to swallow. France and Russia are very much excited about the possession of 850 square miles of territory, known as the little Dutch province of Luxembourg. Prussia is hasty and impulsive since her rapid aggrandizement, and France, in her pride of domination feels ad her old passion for war. So it will be nothing strange if a few thousand men are sent to eternity to settle the bone of contention.

England and Spain to, are trying to get up a little excitement over a steam-boat; John Bull in his natural stubbornness, refusing to grant the indemnity and satisfaction which Spain demands.

The Sultan also threatens to fight Greece unless a stop is put to the disturbances on the Turkish frontier. The Greeks evince no disposition to quell them, but seem to think

"Tis time to leave the hooker in dross,
And all the mous'd arnold's in dross;
Romancing from the wall,
The easier of the half."

They are anxious to bring on a conflict, in the hope of throwing off the Sultan's oppressive yoke, and freeing themselves from the fatalism and fanaticism of the Turk.

All the powers of Europe are at present active in warlike preparations, but scarcely know who they are to fight, or whether they will rank themselves on the offensive or defensive.

"Not to the shales shall the youth descend who for country both perish;
He leaves him in heaven, welcomes him there with her smile;
There, at the banquet divine, the patriot spirit is cherished;
Gods love the young who ascend pure from the funeral pile."

It appears that reliable information has reached the State Department to the effect that Maximilian will soon be forced to surrender to the Liberals, and that they propose to make short work of him. It will be seen elsewhere on this page that the Austrian Emperor has petitioned Secretary Seward to interfere in his behalf, which the kind old political war horse has done. Nothing less than a profound admiration of the Austrian insignia could have prompted him to meddle with the fate of this cut throat invader, for neither law, justice or humanity demand that he should be treated otherwise than as a murderer, and we hope the Mexicans will have a due regard for their best interests, and hang the outlaw to the highest tree.

What was Thought of Railroads Fifty-six Years Ago.

The following letter, in reply to a suggestion about railroads, written over fifty years ago, by Chancellor Livingstone, who had been associated with his brother-in-law, Robert Fulton, in application of steam to vessels, shows the state of improvements in that day.

ALBANY, March 11, 1811.
DEAR SIR:—I did not till yesterday receive yours of the 25th of February; where it has lingered on the road I am at a loss to say. I had before read of your very ingenious propositions as to the railway communication, I fear, however, on mature reflection, that they will be liable to serious objection and ultimately more expensive than a canal. They must be double, so as to prevent the danger of such heavy bodies meeting.

The wall on which they are placed must be at least four feet below the surface and three above, and must be clamped with iron, and even then would hardly sustain so heavy a weight as you propose moving at the rate of four miles an hour on wheels. As to wood, it would not last a week. They must be covered with iron, and that too, very thick and strong. The means of stopping these heavy carriages without a great shock, and of preventing them from running upon each other—for there would be many running upon the road at once—would be very difficult. In case of accidental stops, or necessary stops to take wood or water, etc., many accidents would happen. The carriage of condensing water would be very troublesome. Upon the whole, I fear the expense would be much greater than that of canals, without being so convenient."

R. R. LIVINGSTONE.

Nasby on the Nigger.

But what marks the demoralization in the nigger the most, is, the following extract which I cut from the New York World, wunst our trusted origin. I have not the heart to write it. I past the slip into the paper, hence I am not responsible for such errors my orthography and grammar cz may be discovered into it. Here it is:

"As regards the popular notion of the color of the negro, it may be positively stated that he, in this respect, is like the white—a clean negro being free from it and a fool one covered by it.

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Jeff Davis plantation with that of his brother Joe, have been sold to a former slave of Jeff's for \$400,000, on ten years lease, and the colored man it is said will make \$80,000 this year.

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The next annual session of the Methodist Conference of this State, will be held at Rochester on the 18th of September next. Bishop Simpson will preside over its deliberations. He has the reputation of being one of the most eloquent divines in America.

Bishop James, at the New York Methodist Conference yesterday, in propounding questions to candidates for membership, advised that the changes of public sentiment be noted.

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Dissolution of Co-Partnership.

The firm of Dutcher & Dearborn is this day dissolved by mutual consent. The Col. M. Dutcher will pay all demands and collect all accounts due said firm.

C. A. COTTERELL,

Dearborn.

Winnebago City, April 16th, 1867.

N. B.—Business will hereafter be carried on at the old stand by M. Dearborn.

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U. S. Land Office.

IMPORTANT DECISION.

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Edgar Tremper has this day applied for the s. e. quarter of section 10 or see 10 township 105 north range 20 west, it being the land you filed on. You are hereby notified to be and appear at this office on Saturday the 27th day of April, 1867, at 1 p. m., for the purpose of giving the whole matter a fair and impartial investigation.

A. H. BULLIS, Register.

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David M. Jackson has this day applied for the s. w. or see 22 township 102 north range 20 west, it being the land you filed on. You are hereby notified to be and appear at this office on Friday the 3d day of May, 1867, at 12 m., for the purpose of giving the whole matter a fair and impartial investigation.

STORE

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PRESTON

WOOLEN FACTORY.

We are now in operation and are prepared to take wool to manufacture by the yard or on skeins in Cossimere, Tweeds, Flannels, Blankets and Stocking Yarn. We also have a large assortment of Double and Twisted Cossimere, besides the above mentioned goods to exchange for Woolen.

WALLACE & WHEELER.

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To William J. Brandy:

Lorson Larson has this day applied for the south east quarter of section 23 township 102 north range 25 west; it being the land you filed on.

You are hereby notified to be and appear at this office on Saturday the 25th day of May, 1867, at 1 p. m., for the purpose of giving the whole matter a fair and impartial investigation.

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Of Independence, too;
I hates the glorious Union,
All dripping with our blood,
I hates the stupid banner,
Lit it all I cond.

I followed old man Robert,
For four years, near about;
Got wounded in three places,
And starved at Point Lookout;
I coched the rheumatism,
A camping in the snow,
But I killed a chance of Yankees—
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